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WELL DONE.

The work of the convention at Knappa City, so far as it has been done, has been well done. Of course the nomination of Mr. Bryan was a foregone conclusion, and as his whole political life is an open book, known and read of all men, comment upon his fitness as a standard-bearer for the party of the people is quite useless. His conduct in regard to the convention and his attitude towards the platform adopted are above criticism and beyond all praise. With every apparent incentive and with abundant persuasions to be a hypocrite, he yet showed himself an honest man. And this was the best of policy also. The attempted shelving of the money issue by keeping back a specific endorsement of that plank of the Chicago platform while affirming the platform as an entirety, would have deceived no one, and would have laid the party justly open to the charge of false-pretense of which the Republicans have now taken swift advantage, whereas now they are themselves enjoying a monopoly of duplicity in their appeals to the voters of the country.

As to the platform adopted, we shall later make some detailed comments upon it. For today it is enough to say that it could not be well bettered. It is an indictment of misgovernment, political treachery and party faithlessness on the part of the present administration which will find a responsive echo in every patriotic heart. It is a document which the nominee does not have to apologize for the morning after it was adopted by sending his henchmen to be interviewed into saying that a vital proposition had been stolen out of it by another henchman, while his fellow henchmen were either too dishonest or too stupid to detect the fraud.

The enthusiasm which greeted it, spreading contagiously over the whole representation, from David B. Hill to the most remote delegate from Texas and sweeping in McKinley's late trusted lieutenant, Webster Davis, is the death knell to McKinleyism if an unpurchased and un intimidated vote can be had.

Wiser above all things else was the action of the convention in making impartialism the paramount issue in the campaign. Every other question will shrink and shrivel into insignificance when compared with this; because it is the issue of life or death to republican institutions. The Democratic party, with such a candidate and such a platform, may safely go before the people, and an honest vote will vindicate the wisdom of its choice.

LOYAL OAK.

(Special Correspondence.)

Loyal Oak, July 5.—A large number of the people in this vicinity attended the band concert and festival at Wadsworth Saturday evening.

The new barn on the Vandervall farm is about completed.

Warren Simpson visited with Chas. Miller last week.

The band of Sherbondy hill will hold an open air concert and festival Friday evening. The K. O. T. M. band of Copley will also attend and discourse music.

Greely Heckman of Barberton visited with friends here last Sunday.

Mr. James Viall,

East Market street,

Says that he is more than satisfied with the treatment and relief of his CATARRH. See him.

Ask Mr. Frank Manson, East Buchtelave., who cured his deafness and noises in the ear.

DR. TUCKER,
Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat,
130 S. Main St.

WHEAT CROP

Will Not Show More
Than 25 Per Cent

Of Average Yield This Summer—
Corn Prospects Better.

Columbus, O., July 6.—(Spl.)—The wheat harvest is on with a prospect of only 25 per cent of an average product, a still further decline of 4 per cent as compared with the prospect indicated June 1. Wheat prospect has shown a steady decline from the appearance of the plant of which will undoubtedly be the lowest product since 1890. The crop is bad over the entire State, ranging from total failure to about 50 per cent in but four important wheat counties. The great proportion of the crop is below 35 per cent; twenty-four counties averaging below 15 per cent. A great many fields will simply be cut for feed or pasture. A vast amount of wheat was plowed up and put to other crops, principally corn and oats. Of the 3,080,855 acres estimated to have been sown last fall, 1,933,505 acres is the amount estimated to have been plowed up this spring, leaving but 1,077,350 acres for the harvest, and much of this not worth the cutting. It can very readily be seen that the Ohio wheat crop for 1900 is a great failure compared with the average product and with the possibilities of the State in wheat production. We cannot now anticipate a crop of more than 12,000,000 bushels. The significance of this is strikingly apparent when we consider that Ohio has produced above 50,000,000 bushels.

In 1898 and 1899 Ohio had a large corn area, but the area of the present year will exceed either of those years. The present corn area is estimated at 3,051,733 acres, an increase over last year of 145,372 acres, and being about the largest area in the history of the State. The crop shows a very fair condition of growth throughout the State and present prospects are promising. Recent rains have aided in advancing the corn growth and if weather conditions continue favorable the corn crop of 1900 will be among the largest in total product as well as in total area. The only complaint at present is on account of the cut worm and white grub, which are reported to be working in the corn, the estimated damage for each being about 3 per cent, which damage rapid growth may overcome.

There is a fair average area of potatoes, a slight increase over last year's area, but weather conditions have not been altogether favorable to a successful growth. The condition, however, is 93 per cent of a fair average, which is more promising than the very short crops that have been produced the past three years.

Drought severely affected timothy and as a consequence the crop of hay is light.

Pastures suffered very materially from drought during most of the spring, but recent rains have somewhat revived them.

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Chief Has a Few Words of
Explanation and Advice,

And Writes In His Characteristic
Fearless Style.

Editor Daily Democrat:

Will you kindly allow me space in your paper to make a few corrections relative to impressions conveyed by Mr. Paul and a few other members of the City Council, in remarks made at last Monday evening's Council meeting, where they made such serious objections to my going out to Summit lake park last Sunday, with a squad of 15 officers to prohibit an advertised Sunday game of base ball?

They said that in so doing I had violated 19 police beats. Now this goes to show how little they know, as Councilmen, about the affairs of the city of Akron, as there are only 11 police beats in this city, all told. And, again, nine of the nineteen officers were not on regular duty, and had volunteered their services on that day. These men were on the night trick and not under obligations to work that day and, consequently, that part of this so-called "religious act," as Mr. Paul terms it, did not cost this city one cent, and certainly ought to be very satisfactory to this great reformer. In the next place, does it not look a little suspicious and queer that all these kicks and objections to my attempting to enforce the Sunday laws should all come from members of the Council that belong to the same political party, and nearly everybody knows Mr. Paul's politics. I will leave the public to judge.

I also ask the question, were not these 19 officers and myself still doing police duty within the limits of the city of Akron on last Sunday, and if so, what is all this kick about? And again, if this matter of giving the newly-annexed territory, and, especially, the parks and pleasure resorts, at Summit lake and other places, proper Sunday police protection smacks too much of religion for the Council to tackle, as Mr. Paul thinks, then why not let it alone? What is the necessity of calling it up in Council, by members themselves, and then refuse to take a stand, or go on record, one way or the other.

I have the greatest respect for Mr. Paul and have no personal feelings against him, but we differ on the Sunday question, and, such being the case, I claim I have the right of public expression, just as he has. Therefore, it is not amusing that Mr. Paul dislikes things that smack of religion and at the same time puts himself up as the champion of a Sunday base ball team that he says is composed almost entirely of church members? I also ask Mr. Paul whether he or any other member of the City Council wants me to come out and say where and for what purpose \$80 of the \$108 on the special pay roll was used?

No, of course, they don't. It would be damaging to the best interests of the city of Akron, and every newspaper reporter in this city knows it and has been instructed to that effect. And yet it is made to appear by members of Council that the City Commissioners and the Chief of Police were to blame for all this, when such is not the case; but is a matter of serious circumstance which I would not publish, even in self-defense.

Now, in conclusion, I have only this to say: I think it is about time that these political clubs that have been hanging over the heads of the police department for years should be dropped, and the officers allowed to do their sworn duties in enforcing the laws and ordinances of this city.

With reference to my friend, Mr. Paul, I have this to say: If he would devote only a part of the time that he occupies in preparing abusive speeches about the City Commissioners to Conciliatory duties proper he would make one of the best Councilmen this city ever had, and it would not have been necessary for me to publish this article.

Let the public be the judge.
H. H. HARRISON,
Chief of Police.

A Card.

The statement in the papers to the effect that the National Prohibition convention had offered a million votes or any other number of votes to the Democratic party provided it would put a Prohibition plank in its platform, is false.

W. F. CRISPIN.

Turned Out the Gas.

Titusville, Pa., July 6.—(Spl.)—Chas. Burgess, proprietor of the Cyclops Steel works, of this city, received the intelligence this morning of the suicide of his son, Charles, at Buffalo. Young Burgess had turned on the gas, and had been dead some time when he was found in his room this morning. His health is ascribed as the cause.

A. POLSKY.
July Clearance Sale

This is the month we clean up stock; we don't carry over goods from one season to another, so everything in the line of summer goods must go. Many articles will be sold at

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Colored Shirt Waists

All our \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 colored shirt waists.....\$1.00
All our \$2, \$2.25, \$2.50 colored shirt waists.....\$1.50

White Shirt Waists

\$1.00 white shirt waists, fancy soft cuffs.....69c ea
\$1.25 white shirt waists, fancy soft or stiff cuffs.....\$1.00 ea
\$2.00 white shirt waists, fancy soft or stiff cuffs.....\$1.50 ea
\$2.50 white waists, handsomely trimmed.....\$1.98 ea
All our \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4 and \$5 waists at greatly reduced prices.

Dressing Sacques

69c dressing sacques, during this sale.....48c ea
\$1.00 dressing sacques, neatly made.....69c ea
\$1.25 dressing sacques, neatly trimmed.....89c ea

Wrappers

75c calico wrappers, broken sizes.....59c ea
89c cambrie wrappers, neatly trimmed.....75c ea
\$1.25 percale wrappers, neatly trimmed.....\$1.00 ea
\$1.75 percale wrappers, handsomely trimmed.....\$1.19 ea

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\$1.25 covert cloth skirts, neatly trimmed.....\$1.00 ea
\$1.75 skirts, linen, covert, etc., trimmed or plain.....\$1.25 ea
\$2.50 white pique skirts, handsomely trimmed.....\$1.75 ea
All our \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4, \$5 skirts at greatly reduced prices.

Worsted Dress Skirts

\$2.50 black fig. mohair skirts.....\$1.98
3.75 black wool serge skirts, well made.....\$3.00
5.00 black skirts, best lining and brush binding.....\$3.50
6.00 skirts, grey, blue or brown.....\$5.00
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\$1.25 black silk gloria umbrellas.....98c ea
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3.50 colored silk umbrellas.....\$2.75 ea

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FARMER KILLED.

Working on Load of Hay—Struck
by Lightning.

Cleveland, O., July 6.—(Spl.)—A bolt of lightning struck George Dobson, a farmer, whose farm is on the extension of Ridge ave., partly in Parma township, and partly in Brooklyn township, yesterday afternoon, killing him instantly. He was working in a hay field with a number of other men. He was standing on a wagon piling up the hay. The sky was overcast and rain threatened, but the men continued with their work. A thunder storm seemed imminent, and suddenly a bolt of lightning came from a cloud overhead and struck Dobson. Death was instantaneous. The hay on the wagon caught fire and the body was badly burned about the lower part. The horses attached to the wagon, and the men working nearby, escaped injury. Dobson was 34 years old, and leaves a family.

CONFESSED

That She Had Killed Her Step
Child—Arrested.

Wapakoneta, O., July 6.—(Spl.)—Mrs. John W. Miller, stepmother of a three-year-old child found dead Monday night by its father, after repeated evasions, confessed today to her husband and the Sheriff that she choked and smothered the boy to death while angry at it for crying and screaming.

She says she didn't intend to kill the child, but it was dead before she knew it. She was arrested this afternoon on the charge of murder and committed to jail without bond. Neighbors allege she had threatened to kill the child and just before its death made it sit in the hot sun for an hour without cover. Mrs. Miller is 26 years old.

Fatal Fall.

Youngstown, O., July 6.—(Spl.)—John Sullivan, a farmer, was thrown out of a wagon, striking on his head. He died in a short time at the hospital. Sullivan leaves a family.

AN AKRON GIRL.

She Appears at Lakeside Casino—
Clever Sketch.

"The Tie That Binds" is the title of a one-act drama that will be played at Lakeside park this week by Gil Condit and Lillian Morrey. This play is a departure in vaudeville theatrical entertainment. It combines the humorous with the deepest pathos, and on the whole inculcates a good moral lesson. The wife given to novel reading, grows weary of her poor but happy home. Her husband, a hard working and kind-hearted man, tries in vain to make her happy. At length, he fails. He realizes that he has failed, his broken heart consents to a separation. They set about dividing their effects, which goes on well enough until they come to divide the little shoes, stockings and clothes of

their little departed babe. This is too much for the human heart. They pause. They hesitate. Old memories are awakened and they are reunited by the memory of their child. Lillian Morrey-Condit is an Akron girl. By hard labor she has obtained high recognition on the American stage. She deserves much praise. She ably supports her talented husband in the rendition of the above act.

Buchanan, Mich., May 22.
Genesee Pure Food Co., LeRoy, N. Y.
Gentlemen:—My mamma has been a great coffee drinker and has found it very injurious. Having used several packages of your Grain-O, she finds it much better for herself and for us children to drink. She has given up coffee drinking entirely. We use a package of Grain-O every week. I am ten years old. Yours respectfully,
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